

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
Silvo ZUPANCIC et al.
Serial No.: 10/583,439
Filed: June 16, 2006
For: Processes for Preparing Venlafaxine and Venlafaxine
Hydrochloride of Form I

Examiner: Samuel A. Barts
Group Art: 1621

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Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for a three-month extension of the original shortened statutory response period set in the Office Action of February 6, 2009. Please charge our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412 in the amount of \$1,110 in payment of the government fee for a three-month extension of time so that the period for response is extended to August 6, 2009. Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the present application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated February 6, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.